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C O N F I D E N T I A L USBERLIN 1766

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SUBJECT: OBSTRUCTION OF TRANSIT TO BERLIN

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1. MISSION FINDS VERY HELPFUL FULL PRESS GUIDANCE WORKED OUT IN BONN GROUP. WE BELIEVE IT SHOULD PROVIDE BASIS FOR REPLIES TO QUESTIONS OTHER THAN THOSE FORESEEN BY BONN GROUP. WE VERY MUCH HOPE IT WILL NOT BE CUT BACK AFTER CONSIDERATION IN CAPITALS.

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2. HOWEVER, WE WOULD EXPECT DIFFICULTIES WITH CHARACTERIZATION

OF POLAD CHANNEL AS " THE NORMAL CHANNEL" FOR  
TRANSACTIONING BUSINESS ABOUT BERLIN WITH SOVIETS.  
COGNOSCENTI AMONG JOURNALISTS HERE WILL RECALL THAT  
1974 ALLIED PROTEST WAS MADE IN MOSCOW, THAT SOVIET  
AUGUST 3 PROTEST ON BERLIN-EC TIES WAS MADE THERE,  
THAT CAPITALS HAVE BEEN USED MANY TIMES ON BERLIN BUSINESS,  
ETC. WE WOULD THEREFORE PREFER TO CALL POLAD CHANNEL A  
" WELL-ESTABLISHED CHANNEL." IF PRESSED ON WHY POLAD  
CHANNEL WAS FAVORED THIS TIME AS AGAINST USE OF MOSCOW  
IN AUGUST 1974, WE COULD REPLY THAT IN 1974 SOVIETS HAD  
PROTESTED ESTABLISHMENT OF FEA IN MOSCOW. IN ANY CASE,  
WE WOULD STRESS THAT USE OF POLAD CHANNEL IN NO WAY  
DIMINISHED IMPORTANCE OF ALLIED PROTEST; IT IS WELL-  
ESTABLISHED CHANNEL USED MANY TIMES IN PAST TO CONVEY  
IMPORTANT MESSAGES ABOUT BERLIN TO SOVIETS.  
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